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Applicant(s): Akihiko SHIMASAKI et al.

Invention: METAL COATING METHOD EXCELLENT IN CORROSION RESISTANCE AND ARTICLE COATED THEREWITH

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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**SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Supplemental to the response of February 27, 2006 to the Non-final Office Action dated September 30, 2005, and further, in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated May 8, 2006, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: